

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of tuning a television channel while displaying a web-based program guide, comprising:

generating a video signal to display the web-based program guide using a web browser software module application, the display indicating a cursor location;

receiving an input signal generated by a user via a user interface;

at an event manager software module, determining that the input signal is unmatched to the current cursor location; and

at the event manager software module, redirecting the input signal to a television manager software module as a result of determining that the input signal is unmatched to the current cursor location.

2. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, further comprising:

at the television manager software module, determining that the input signal corresponds to a television command; and

implementing the television command.

3. (Original) The method according to claim 1, carried out in a Television Set-Top Box.

4. (Cancelled) The method according to claim 1, wherein the determining and redirecting are carried out in an event manager.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered to be unmatched by the event manager software module if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 5, wherein the actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered by the event manager software module to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide; and wherein the television manager software module implements a channel selection function in response thereto.

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7. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the receiving comprises receiving the input signal from a television remote control.

8. (Currently Amended) A television Set-Top Box, comprising:

- a programmed processor;

- a web browser software module running on the programmed processor, the web browser software module accessing a web page as a current web page;

- an input forming part of a user interface receiving a user input signal, wherein the user input signal may be directed either to a television control action or to the current web page;

- a television manager software module running on the programmed processor that receives user input signals and implements television control actions in response thereto; and

- an event manager software module running on the programmed processor that directs the input signal to the television manager software module in the event the input signal is not directed to the current web page, wherein the current web page has a cursor location, and wherein the event manager software module determines that the input signal is not directed to the current web page if the input signal is not matched to the current cursor location.

9. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the current web page comprises a web-based program guide page.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8 ~~according to claim 10~~, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered to be a channel selection command by the event manager software module if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the current web page.

12. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the television manager software module implements a channel selection function in response to the channel selection command.

13. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the input receives the user input signal from a television remote control.

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14. (Currently Amended) An electronic storage medium storing instructions which, when executed on a programmed processor, carry out a process of tuning a television channel, comprising:

generating a video signal to display the web-based program guide using a web browser software module application, the display indicating a cursor location;

receiving an input signal generated by a user via a user interface;

at an event manager software module, determining that the input signal is unmatched to the current cursor location; and

at the event manager software module, redirecting the input signal to a television manager software module as a result of determining that the input signal is unmatched to the current cursor location.

15. (Currently Amended) The electronic storage medium according to claim 14, further comprising:

at the television manager software module, determining that the input signal corresponds to a television command; and

implementing the television command.

16. (Currently Amended) The electronic storage medium according to claim 14, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered to be unmatched by the event manager software module if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide.

17. (Currently Amended) The electronic storage medium according to claim 16, wherein the actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered by the event manager software module to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide; and wherein the television manager software module implements a channel selection function in response thereto.

18. (Original) The electronic storage medium according to claim 14, wherein the receiving comprises receiving the input signal from a television remote control.

19. – 24. (Cancelled)

25. (Currently Amended) A television Set-Top Box, comprising:

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a programmed processor;
a web browser ~~software module application~~ that runs on the programmed processor;
a television manager software module running on the programmed processor that controls television functions;

an input forming a part of a user interface receiving a user input signal, wherein the user input signal comprises a command to display a program guide, the command being passed from the input to the programmed processor;

wherein, the programmed processor invokes the web browser software module ~~application~~ directed to a Universal Resource Locator (URL) calling a web-based program guide page as a result of the input receiving the command to display a program ~~guide~~ guide;

wherein the program guide has a cursor location, and wherein an event ~~the event~~ manager software module running on the programmed processor determines that the input signal is not directed to the web-based program guide page if the input signal is not matched to the current cursor location; and

~~an event~~ wherein the event manager software module ~~that~~ directs the input signal to the television manager in the event the input signal is not directed to the web-based program guide page.

26. - 27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 25 ~~according to claim 27~~, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide page.

29. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 28, wherein the television manager software module implements a channel selection function in response to the channel selection command.

30. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the input receives the user input signal from a television remote control.

31. (Currently Amended) A method of implementing a television command while displaying a web-based program guide, comprising:

generating a video signal to display the web-based program guide using a web browser software module ~~application~~, the display indicating a current cursor location;

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receiving an input signal representing a user command;

at an event manager software module, determining whether the input signal is matched or unmatched to the current cursor location;

if the event is matched to the current cursor location, the web browser software module implementing a browser function associated with the current cursor location;

if the event is not matched to the current cursor location:

the event manager software module determining that the input signal corresponds to a television command;

the event manager software module redirecting the input signal to a television manager software module; and

the television manager software module implementing the television command.

32. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 31, carried out in a television receiver device.

33. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 32, wherein the television receiver device comprises a Television Set-Top Box.

34. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 31, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered by the event manager software module to be unmatched if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide.

35. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 34, wherein the actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered by the event manager software module to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the web-based program guide; and wherein the television manager implements a channel selection function in response thereto.

36. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 31, wherein the receiving comprises receiving the input signal from a television remote control.

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37. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the browser software module, the event manager software module and the television manager software module comprise ~~programs~~ software modules running on a programmed processor.

38. (Currently Amended) A television receiver device, comprising:

a programmed processor;

a web browser software module running on the programmed processor, the web browser software module accessing a web page as a current web page, wherein the current web page has a current cursor location;

an input forming part of a user interface receiving a user input signal, wherein the user input signal may be directed either to a television control action or to the current web page;

a television manager software module running on the programmed processor that receives user input signals and implements television control actions in response thereto;

an event manager software module running on the programmed processor that determines whether or not the input signal is directed to the current web page by determining whether or not the input signal is matched to the current cursor location, wherein:

if the event manager software module determines that the input is matched to the current cursor location, the event manager software module directs the input signal to the web browser software module and the web browser software module implements a command associated with the cursor location; and

if the event manager software module is not matched to the current cursor location;

the event manager software module determines that the input signal corresponds to a television command;

the event manager software module directs the input signal to the television manager software module; and

the television manager software module implements the television command.

39. (Cancelled)

40. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 38, wherein the current web page comprises a web-based program guide page.

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41. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 38, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered by the event manager software module to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the current web page.

42. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 41, wherein the television manager software module implements a channel selection function in response to the channel selection command.

43. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 38, wherein the input receives the user input signal from a television remote control.

44. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for implementing a television command while displaying a web-based program guide, comprising:

means for generating a video signal to display the web-based program guide, the video signal causing a display to indicate a current cursor location;

means for receiving an input signal representing a user command;

event manager software module means for determining whether the input signal is matched or unmatched to the current cursor location;

wherein, if the ~~event~~ input signal is matched to the current cursor location, ~~the web~~ a web browser software module implements implementing a browser function associated with the current cursor location;

and wherein, if the ~~event~~ input signal is not matched to the current cursor location:

the event manager software module means determining that the input signal corresponds to a television command;

the event manager software module means redirecting the input signal to television manager software module means for managing operation of a television device; and

the television manager software module means implementing the television command on the television device.

45. (Currently Amended) A television receiver device, comprising:
a programmed processor;

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a web browser running on the programmed processor, the web browser accessing a web based electronic program guide as a current web page, wherein the current web page has a current cursor location;

an input receiving a user input signal from a remote control device, wherein the user input signal may be directed either to a television control action or to the current web page;

a television manager program running on the programmed processor, that receives user input signals and implements television control actions in response thereto;

an event manager program running on the programmed processor that determines whether or not the input signal is directed to the current web page by determining whether or not the input signal is matched to the current cursor location, wherein:

if the ~~event~~ input signal is matched to the current cursor location, the event manager directs the input signal to the web browser and the web browser implements a command associated with the cursor location; and

if the ~~event~~ input signal is not matched to the current cursor location:

the event manager determines that the input signal corresponds to a television command;

the event manager directs the input signal to the television manager; and

the television manager implements the television command.

46. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 44, wherein an input signal corresponding to a user actuation of a numerical character 0-9 is considered to be a channel selection command if the cursor is not situated at a text entry field of the current web page, and wherein the television manager implements a channel selection function in response to the channel selection command.

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